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Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2003. As this response is filed within the 3-month period for response, it is believed that no extension of time fees are due. However, Applicant has added new claims in this response, and hence may need to pay additional claim examination fees. This Office is authorized to deduct any such excess claim fees, or any other necessary fees, from Deposit account number 01-2508/DETS005.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.